

**Menominee County  
Parks and Recreation Committee  
October 14, 2009  
Minutes**

Members Present: Vola Bleile, Judy Bright, Jason Lauzer and Commissioners Anderson and Furlong. Absent: Ruby Ivens (who has replaced Mike Lyons). (Position vacated by Mark Aubert had not been filled as of meeting date.)

The meeting was held at the Stephenson Annex and was called to order at 6:02 pm by Vice-Chairman Lauzer.

Motion to approve agenda with additions (5.1 – Placemats and 5.2 – Who is supervising parks employees) by James Furlong, second by Vola Bleile. Motion carried.

Motion to approve September 9, 2009 minutes with minor typographical corrections made by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Furlong. Motion carried.

There was no public comment.

Concerning the resignation of Chairman Mark Aubert, the County Board will advertise for volunteers and will also send a letter of thanks to past Superintendent Steve Wery.

With the resignation of the committee chairman, Jason Lauzer informed the committee that he had spoken with Dan Hass, who advised Jason to continue as is until he has the time to advise further.

The committee was informed that Ruby Ivens was appointed to fill the committee vacancy created by the resignation of Mike Lyons.

It was the consensus of the committee that its usual meeting schedule would remain in effect for the balance of the year (second Wednesday each month).

The committee was updated on the following:

1. Larry Pepin toured the buildings with Interim Administrator Erdman, and that Jim and Mike have notes from inspections.
2. Who is providing day-to-day direction of park rangers is unclear, but two employees are working full time cutting trees.
3. Water at Kleinke and Shakey Lakes will be turned off on October 26.
4. Rangers Jim and Mike know what needs to be done this time of year in the parks.
5. Status of the placemats with campground maps is unclear. Need to follow-up with Karen Kayser, part-time parks employee, and add to next month's agenda.

A discussion followed on the site lease program for 2010. Commissioner Peterson suggested that Karen Kayser could come to our next meeting to address this. Questions were raised as to

whether or not Karen was still on the payroll and if she would get paid for attending the next meeting.

There was no correspondence.

Public comment: Kandace Curran spoke to winter storage and questioned who is responsible for maintaining the horse building and fence – 4H or county. Also advised that building was broken into, but since nothing is stored there nothing was taken.

Ms. Curran advised that gate fees were up at this year's fair and also requested a joint meeting with the Fair Board be scheduled for December.

Ms. Curran also suggested that the county should look into moving forward with online camping registration. It was suggested that Menominee County check with Marinette County, who just went online. Jason Lauzer noted that there is no Internet access at the parks, but that he would check it out.

Charlene Peterson spoke to an ORV ordinance.

Christie Salo mentioned that the Kleinke Park signs are missing and need to be replaced for next year.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Furlong and seconded by Commissioner Peterson. The meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Judy Bright, Secretary  
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